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: Use of a PPARalpha Agonist and Metformin for

Decreasing the Serum Triglycerides

LETTER RE INCOMPLETE REFERENCE

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Sir:

Applicants hereby acknowledge receipt of the Office Action mailed October 19, 2007 in the above-identified patent application.

The Office Action includes a form PTO-892 listing the following citation:

Lee et al., Metformin decreased food consumption and induces weight loss in subjects with obesity with type II non-insulin dependent diabetes. 1998 Obesity Research 6, pgs 47-53

The Office Action was only accompanied, however, by an abstract of the citation, and the image file wrapper likewise contains only an abstract.

The Office is hereby respectfully requested to provide a complete copy of the article as cited, and to re-start the period for response to commence on the date the complete cited reference is provided.

If there are any questions regarding this submission or the application in general, a telephone call to the undersigned at (202) 624-2845 would be appreciated, since this should expedite the examination of the application.

Respectfully submitted,

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